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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an Office Action in connection with a corresponding Taiwanese patent application. Note that the documents cited in the enclosed Office Action are U.S. Patent No. 5,770,095 to Sasaki, et al., and U.S. Patent No. 5,527,423 to Neville, et al. No. 5,770,095 was cited in the Office Action mailed May 8, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, and, accordingly, a copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,770,095 is not enclosed. A copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,527,423 is enclosed. Further enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing U.S. Patent No. 5,527,423.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to issuance of a Final Office Action in the above-identified application, on October 31, 2003. For satisfying requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97(d), the fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is enclosed, and the following Statement is made under 37 CFR § 1.97(e):

Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97 and § 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with present submission of this Information Disclosure Statement. Accordingly, consideration of the listed document, upon further examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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